

THE PATH TO THE BALLOT

Here's what to expect in the days ahead

TODAY TO SEPT 1

Filling the slates

- Candidates will vie for 89 seats in 16 Group Representation Constituencies (GRCs) and 13 Single Member Constituencies (SMCs) following the electoral boundaries review last month
- The ruling People's Action Party has officially named 68 of their candidates. More announcements are expected in the days ahead
- Most opposition parties have not unveiled their candidates although many have said they will do so nearer to Nomination Day



- The Workers' Party is expected to unveil its candidates from today

Getting the paperwork done

- Candidates can collect their nomination papers from the Elections Department from today.
- They must also submit records of donations they have received to show that they have not accepted donations from sources that are not permitted, such as foreign organisations
- Minority-race candidates standing in GRCs must have themselves certified as such

SEPT 1

Nomination Day

- Candidates have one hour from 11am to noon to file their papers at nine designated nomination centres on Nomination Day
- Candidates must each hand in an election deposit of \$14,500 when submitting their forms. This is lower than the \$16,000 that



was required at the last polls in 2011

- The assistant returning officers at each centre will declare a walkover in constituencies with no contest
- If there is a contest, candidates' names will be put up on a notice board at the centre

SEPT 1 TO 9

Campaigning

- Political parties may start campaigning once nominations close
- Candidates can put up posters and



banners, visit voters, campaign on moving vehicles and hold rallies

- Rallies can be held only at designated sites

SEPT 10

Cooling-Off Day

- Campaigning is prohibited except for party political broadcasts on TV, mainstream media reports and advertisements which have already



been put up before this day

- This was introduced for the first time at the 2011 polls to give voters 24 hours to reflect on their choice

SEPT 11

Polling Day

- No campaigning is allowed on Polling Day, which will be a public holiday
- Voters can cast votes at designated polling stations from 8am to 8pm
- Once polls close, the ballot boxes are sealed and taken to counting centres



• The results for all constituencies will be announced at the Elections Department in Prinsep Link by Returning Officer Ng Wai Choong

- Results will also be broadcast live on TV and radio
- Candidates and supporters can gather at designated sites to await the results